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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR:	MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING THE MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 10 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ A transmittal of Japanese Applications 2002-346124 and 2003-86318 to claim the priority dates of November 28, 2002, and March 26, 2003.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration.
- ☒ An Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement with the PTO Form 1449
- ☒ The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

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